

Wisconsin Hepatitis C Surveillance Summary

Cases Reported 01/01/2000 through 12/31/2000

Summary

Total	2,508	100%
Confirmed (1)	2,106	84%
Unconfirmed (2)	402	16%

Gender

Males	1,733	69%
Females	724	29%
Unknown	51	2%

Age

0-12	15	1%
13-19	10	0%
20-29	99	4%
30-39	698	28%
40-49	1,194	48%
50+	480	19%
Unknown	12	0%

Race

White	746	30%
Black	246	10%
Am Indian	19	1%
Asian	3	0%
Other	4	0%
Unknown	1,490	59%

Ethnicity

Hispanic	58	2%
Not Hispanic	764	30%
Unknown	1,686	67%

Reported cases by county

Adams	4	Florence	0	Marathon	6	Rusk	2
Ashland	5	Fond Du Lac	31	Marinette	7	St Croix	9
Barron	7	Forest	3	Marquette	4	Sauk	22
Bayfield	0	Grant	6	Menominee	0	Sawyer	2
Brown	18	Green	4	Milwaukee	425	Shawano	3
Buffalo	3	Green Lake	4	Monroe	24	Sheboygan	21
Burnett	11	Iowa	4	Oconto	9	Taylor	0
Calumet	1	Iron	2	Oneida	3	Trempealeau	4
Chippewa	12	Jackson	2	Outagamie	24	Vernon	1
Clark	3	Jefferson	12	Ozaukee	17	Vilas	6
Columbia	11	Juneau	8	Pepin	2	Walworth	26
Crawford	1	Kenosha	46	Pierce	5	Washburn	0
Dane	101	Kewaunee	1	Polk	5	Washington	19
Dodge	25	La Crosse	29	Portage	18	Waukesha	43
Door	2	Lafayette	2	Price	2	Waupaca	5
Douglas	28	Langlade	1	Racine	88	Waushara	2
Dunn	6	Lincoln	1	Richland	4	Winnebago	32
Eau Claire	18	Manitowoc	6	Rock	41	Wood	1
						Unknown	1197

Footnotes:

(1) Confirmed: A positive recombinant immunoblot assay (RIBA) or polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test result, a detectable viral load or identified genotype.

(2) Unconfirmed: A positive enzyme immunoassay test result and no other test result reported.

Technical Notes:

a. This report is compiled by the Wisconsin Hepatitis C Program and is based upon hepatitis C infection case reports submitted to the program by laboratories and local health departments (LHDs). Hepatitis C virus (HCV) is a reportable communicable disease by Wisconsin administrative rule (HFS 145, Appendix A). Laboratories and health care providers should report HCV cases or suspected cases to the LHD within 72 hours of identification. Once the cases are reported, LHDs contact persons with HCV to provide health education, risk reduction counseling, and medical referral.

b. The majority of HCV cases reported to the Wisconsin Hepatitis C program are reported by laboratories. However, laboratories do not generally report demographic data such as region, race, or age. Thus, the surveillance summary data by demographic characteristics are often unknown.

c. Most of the HCV cases in the surveillance data represent chronic HCV cases of persons who were infected years ago. Persons with acute infection are often unaware that they have HCV because acute HCV often presents without symptoms.

For more information:

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Reported cases by quarter

